

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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4 CARLOS RUIZ,

5 Plaintiff,

6 vs.

7 NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF  
CORRECTIONS, et al.,

8 Defendants.

Case No.: 3:17-cv-00643-RCJ-WGC

**REFERRAL TO PRO BONO PROGRAM**

9 This case is referred to the Pro Bono Program ("Program") adopted in General Order 2019-07 for  
10 the purpose of screening for financial eligibility (if necessary) and identifying counsel willing to be  
11 appointed as pro bono counsel for Carlos Ruiz. The scope of appointment will be for the limited purpose  
12 of representing Plaintiff Ruiz with respect to the interpretation of Nevada Department of Corrections  
13 Administrative Regulation (AR) 639 and the provisions therein pertaining to (1) whether an inmate who  
14 is personally involved in a civil rights lawsuit directly involving medical issues may possess copies of the  
15 inmate's medical records relevant to the lawsuit's medical issues [AR 639.02(8)], and (2) whether an  
16 inmate involved in such litigation, if indigent, will be provided copies of such relevant records  
17 [AR 639.02(7)(c)]. By referring this case to the Program, the Court is not expressing an opinion as to the  
18 merits of the case or the issues identified above. Accordingly,

19 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that this case is referred to the Pro Bono Program for appointment  
20 of counsel for the purposes identified herein.

21 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk forwards this order to the Pro Bono Liaison.

22 DATED: December 6, 2019.

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24 *William G. Cobb*

25 WILLIAM G. COBB  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE